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Call to Artists, 5th Annual New Jersey Highlands Juried Art Exhibit at the Morris Museum

The New Jersey Highlands Coalition is sponsoring the 5th Annual Juried Highlands Art and Photography Exhibit at the Morris Museum. All artists over 18 years of age, regardless of experience are invited to enter. For this show, which will be held from January 9 – February 18, 2018, the exhibition of *all* selected pieces will be shown at the Morris Museum, in Morristown, New Jersey. The three top prize winners also will be shown at Studio 7 Fine Art Gallery in Bernardsville throughout the month of March, 2018.

All 2D work (paintings, drawings, pastels, watercolors, photography, etc.) will be considered as long as it features the landscapes, flora, fauna, natural, cultural and/or historic resources of the Highlands of NY, NJ, PA and CT (depictions of flora and fauna outside of the Highlands region will be accepted if those species are typically found in the Highlands). Some 3-dimensional work will also be considered (see website for more details).

Curated by New Jersey photographer and Coalition trustee Dwight Hiscano, juried by a panel of prominent local artists and gallery owners, and judged by Alexandra Willis, curator for the Morris Museum, the exhibit offers artists an opportunity to reach a very wide audience. Prize money totaling \$1,000 will be awarded. Additional prizes will include gift certificates for framing and art reproduction from Dwight Hiscano Photography and Swain Galleries, both of Morristown, John Castronovo of Techphoto and Speakeasy Art Gallery, both of Boonton, and Morris Arts tickets (4) to Giralda Farms Music & Arts Festival for their June 2018 event. To learn more about the Morris Museum, please visit www.morrismuseum.org.

Additional Information:

Initial digital entries must be received by midnight, **Monday, November 27, 2017**. Please see website for submission guidelines <http://njhighlandscoalition.org/HTML/juried.html>. Upon notification, accepted work must be delivered, ready to hang, to the Morris Museum during museum hours (9:00am-4:00 pm), from **Monday, December 11** until **Friday, December 15th**.

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About the NJ Highlands Coalition:

Through events such as the Highlands Art Exhibit, the New Jersey Highlands Coalition promotes awareness about the beauty, and cultural and natural resources of the NJ Highlands region. As a

nonprofit organization in Boonton, New Jersey, the New Jersey Highlands Coalition works to protect, restore, and enhance the water and other natural and cultural resources of New Jersey's Highlands, now and for the future. The Coalition serves eighty-eight municipalities in Bergen, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, and Warren counties that are protected under the New Jersey Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act in addition to the 6.2 million state residents who depend on the Highlands for drinking water. For more information on the NJ Highlands Coalition, or to become a member, please visit the organization's website: <http://www.njhighlandscoalition.org/>

About the Morris Museum:

Founded in 1913, the Morris Museum is an award-winning, community-based arts and cultural institution which serves the public through high caliber exhibitions in the arts, sciences and humanities. The Museum also offers educational programs, family events, and is home to the Bickford Theatre and its wide range of performing arts offerings. For more information, visit www.morrismuseum.org.